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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SCHEDULING  
COMMUNICATION USING A STAR SWITCHING FABRIC

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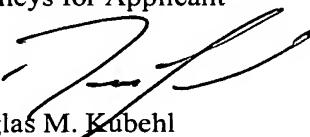
Dear Sir:

**SECOND REQUEST FOR STATUS**

Please advise the status of the above-identified patent application. In A Reply Letter dated September 17, 2003, in response to Applicant's Request for Status mailed September 12, 2003, Applicant was advised that this application would be examined in 15 months. To date, Applicant has not received any Office Action and is currently requesting the status of the application and the Office Action.

If there are any matters that can be resolved through a telephone conference, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

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